







WRITTEN FOR THE SUNDAY REPUBLIC.

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mon exhibition at the Noonan & Kocian Gallery. The pictures are the work of James Montgomery Flags, a New York artist.

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The series of portraits includes, besides, of the St. Louisans have just been co-London and John Wolcott Adams of New York. The portraits of Mrs. Fings and of

the painter, is a young man

# IEN THE PRINCE OF WALES VISITED ST. LOUIS.

N important event in the annals of St. Louis was the visit of the Prince of Wales to this city in September, 1860. The Prince made a hurried visit. He arrived at 6 o'clock on Wednesday evening, September 16, and left for Cincinnati "on the early train" Friday morning. The first evening of his visit was spent quietly, Mayor Filley halling on him and formally tendering the hospitality was spent quiety, anyor ruley cannot use him and formally tendering the hospitality of the city. Thursday was spent in a visit to a photograph gallery, a tour of St. Locks, and a trip to the Fair Grounds. The crowd at the Fair Grounds that day was enormous for that period in the hislory of St. Louis, being estimated at 73.00, and practically all business was suspended.

And thus did the Prince of Wales-now King Edward VII—haugurate that great day in St. Louis—"By Thursday."

The files of The Republic give an interesting history of the visit of the Prince. At that time the columns of the newspapers were devoted mostly to the publication of essays on politics; for the country was torn by the emphalism which resulted in the election of Lincoln, the secession of eleven States and the Civil War. So there was not much space to devote to such an event as the visit of a Prince.

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On Tuesday morning, September 13, an editorial in The Republic said:

" " We understand that it is the wish of the Prince, and those traveling in his company, that they should be allowed to pass through the Union as quietly as possible, and that no demonstration should be made upon their arrival. Of course, their wishes should be strictly compiled with.

" " In this connection, we will renture one remark that we trust no citizen of St. Louis, who respects himself—no one who has any regard for the reputation of the city, or the United States—will think of, much less effer, anything like an indignity, even of the most trifling kind, to these distinguished visitors. It would be a slur upon our good name for hospitality and good breeding, such as we do not deserve. We allude to it because, here and there, indiscreet, thoughtless individuals have suggested. discreet, thoughtless individuals have sug-gested something of the kind. We are quite sure it will not be attempted."

The only other reference to the Prince was in the advertising columns, where a prominent hatter paid for space in which to say:

Prince of Wales
OR
WAS The Fair Yesterday? DID HE APPEAR Incognitor

"Vilkee's Hatel On Wednesday, September 3, there appeared in the editorial columns this unheaded item:

"Several gentlemen, forming part of the suite of the Prince of Wales, arrived in this city yesterday, and have rooms at Barnum's. Rooms have been taken for the Prince and his attendants at this hotel during his stay in the city. We have that he will arrive from Alton at 6 o'clock this evening, and that his stay will be restricted to a little more than a day. He will leave for Chainnati in the morning train on Priday. On Thursday, it is understood, he will visit the Fair Grounds and such other places of note as the time allotted will allow. What with the occeation of neuve business on that day and the presence of one who may reasonably be expected to be King of England at some future day, such a crowd will be assembled as has never been seen before upon the Fnir Grounds."

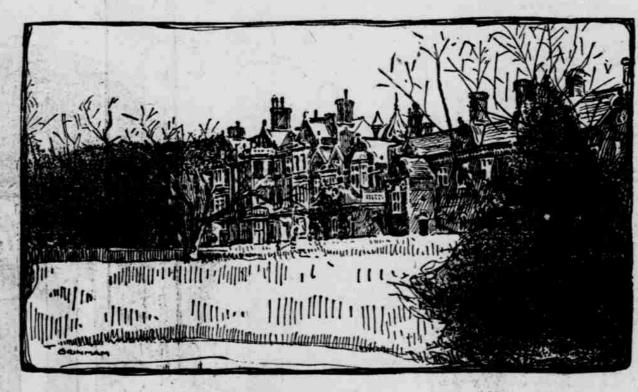
On the same page there appeared this small paragraph, "buried" in a news letter from Springheid, Ill., date September 24: "The Prince of Wales came down on the St. Louis, Aiton and Chicago Railroad as far as Dwight Station on Saturday, where he will remain for the purpose of hunting until Wednesday, when he will proceed to

the third page, in the column headed "By Telegraph," appeared this item, which has considerable interest as indicating that the Prince's passion for shooting is not of recent origin:

"Dwight, Ili., Sept. 25. "Lord Renfrew and suite set out this morning on a special train for Stewart's Grove, hunting quail. The party returned this evening at 7.30, very highly gratified with their day's sport, the whole party bagging 183 qualis. 3 prairie chickens and 2 rabbits, of which the Prince killed 25 qualis. rabbits, of which the Prince killed 28 qualls, 2 chickens and 2 rabbits. He is much pleased with the success met with. The royal party leaves to-morrow morning at 8 o'clock for St. Louis and Chednast."

It may be explained that "Lord Renfrew" was one of the Prince's numerous titles, and the one by which he desired to be addressed while in this country.

In the same column there was this further dispatch relating th the Prince's tour:
"Cincinnati, Sept. 22 Lord Renfrew will arrive here on Friday plant and will have



Sandringham House, Norfolk, Which Has Long Been the Home of the Prince of Wales, Now Edward VII of England.

a quiet reception. A grand ball will be given in his honor at Pike's Opera-house on Saturday evening. The Prince and his suite will be present."

In the "local column" was complimentary reference to a hand-moided statuette of the Prince of Wales on horseback done in sugar, about 2xl feet, and on exhibition in the show window of Mr. Freund's store on Market street, below Fifth street.

On Wednesday evening the Prince arrived, and in Thursday morning's pape there appeared this account of the event: THE PRINCE OF WALES.

"This long-looked for and distinguished personage arrived in this city yesterday evening about 6 o'clock. The splendid steamer City of Alton had previously been engaged for the purpose of bringing the Prince and suite to this city. The steamer left the landing at 12 o'clock yesterday. We are thus particular in giving the time, for there is an old legal anxiom that Nollus tempus accurit regi.' Whatever for there is an old legal anxiom that 'Nullus tempus accurit regi.' Whatever might be pleaded against sovereignty under the old English code, certain it is that in this instance time was not wanting, for the City of Alton made her connections on time. By the way, this steamer is one of the most splendid specimens of naval architecture upon the Western waters, and we are pleased that an opportunity was afforded of exhibiting our progress in this respect to such distinguished European gentlemen.

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"The steamer reached Alton at the appointed time. The special train shortly afterwards came in, preceded by a pilot engine, which cautiously went ahead and feit the way. The party were in a car specially provided for them, and belonging, we understand, to the Michigan Central Railroad Company.

"There was quite a crowd at the depot when the train came in, and the party went

when the train came in, and the party went on board amid the cheers of the multitude, and in a few moments the boat backed out from the Alton wharf.

"For the first time the helr apparent to the throne of England was upon the bosom of the mighty Mississippi. What his re-flections were we have no means of judg-ing, but we imagine that even the short trip suggested to him the vastness of a

country which many European tourists have been astonished at. "The whole party, as soon as they ar-The whole party, as soon as they arrived upon the steamer, repaired to the hurricane deck, and the Prince made his quarters for the most time in the pilothouse, where he had not only a good view of the Missouri and the Misslasippi, but saw some, at least, of the mysteries of Western navigation.

"Personally he is a young man of fine address intelligent modest and retiring to

dress, intelligent, modest and retiring in his manners. His situation is an embar-rassing one, and well calculated to try the

rassing one, and well calculated to try the nerves and self-possession of a person of more mature years than himself. The party were on deck during the whole voyage, looking at the scenery, and seemed to take a deep interest in the surroundings of the great highway of the Missistippi Valley.

"The booming of cannon announced the arrival of the steamer, and the Levee was crowded with anxious and curious spectators, while every steamboat near the vicinity of the packet landing was also covered with people. Upon landing he went on shore with the gentlemen who accompanied him, and the carriages proceeded to Barnum Hotel, followed by a multitude of inquisitive people.

"It is proper to say that there was no public reception. The Mayor, with other gentlemen, waited on the Prince, at the hotel, and tendered him the hospitalities of the city. We are giad to be able to announce that, whatever prejudices may exist in the minds of some of our citizens, there was not the slightest disturbance. On the

in the minds of some of our citizens, there was not the alightest disturbance. On the contrary, his advent into St. Louis, private as it was dignified, cannot be else than gratifying to himself and suite.

"Among the incidents, we note that upon the arrival of the steamer, the Florence, upon which the headquarters of the Second Infaniry were embarked for Omaha, Colonel Miles, in command, ordered the band of the resiment to parade upon the upper deck, where they played 'God Save the Queen,' 'Hall, Columbia,' and as the boat rounded to the notes of our soul-stirring air, the 'Star-Spangled Banner,' floated over the multitude."

This was followed with a short "programme" for Thursday's movements of the Prince, and the subject was dismissed.

Friday morning's paper contained, in a three-column article telling of "Big Thursday" at the Fair Grounds, perhaps three-fourths of a column descriptive sof the Prince's visit to that great show, with refences to his drive about the city and the efforts made to amuse his Royal Highness:

The next day-Saturday-there was, an

and continued:

"The Prince is, as everybody says, a likely youth," but in appearance no ways remarkable in a country like ours, which so abounds with fine-looking men. There is not in our Union a village, however small, which cannot present to view several youths at least equally striking in person. And, with the same training, the most of them would deport themselves as becomingly as he does. Of that deportment we need not say to those who have seen him that the praise is universal. So far as it indicates good sense, prudence and moderation, it gives excellent promise that he will reveal those virtues in his quality of ruler, should he ever be placed at the head of the realm. They will be necessary to him, and perhaps essential to the perpetuity of his Empire when he reaches that position. For, we see in the experience of the United States that in the progress of society men tolerate a good deal of misgovernment when it is inflicted upon them by rulers of their own choosing, while they year by year grow more and more impatient of misgovernment at the hands of rulers who take the helm without asking their leava."

On the second page was an expression of regret that the name of Mayor Filley had been accidentally omitted from the list of

### Park Commissioner Ridgely on St. Louis Park Improvements.

## OF THIS MAGAZINE.

were submerged on that occasion, to its great detriment. Several causes have contributed to this result.

"With a change of the 13,000 acres which this branch of the River des Peres drains, from agricultural land to acre property, there has come extensive drainage, which carries off all the rainfall from the territory in a few hours, instead of being distributed over as many days, hence the capacity of the channel will have to be correspondingly enlarged if we are to avoid constant overflows every spring in the future. The tuous course of the river also retards its

progress with its sharp bends; these should be straightened out as much as possible. Peres in the park, measured along its bed, is four and one-tenth miles, which can be reduced to about three miles by proper treatment. Again, several bridges over the River des Peres, both within and immediately adjoining the park, during the past year have been built these have tended to back up

the flood waters.

"Another question which will arise very shortly in connection with the River des Peres will be how to deal with the sewage. "It will never do to permit the river to become an open sewer, but if allowed to re-main as at present it is only a question as

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Large Lake and Islands.

The large take should be enlarged, improved and its banks planted in clusters of shrubs and evergreens.

The islands in the lake are now practically

useless. These should be connected to the shore and to each by ornamental bridges Walks should be constructed and a shelter-house erected on the islands and a neat boat landing built.

The low-lying meadow just north of the lake, which overflows after every heavy rain, should be raised and underdrained. Park's Water Supply.

The general system of water supply in the park needs extending, so as to facilitate the sprinkling of roads, and a larger main pipe

Roads and Walks. During my terms of office I have had built about four miles of improved gravel road. There are still about twelve miles of four miles should be improved so that every portion of the park may be accessible.

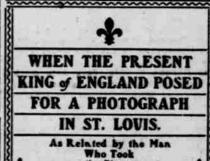
About a mile of granitoid walk should be laid, so as to connect present walks up to and around the music pavilion.

Greenhouses Inadequate.

We are badly in need of a good paim-house. At present we have to store the paims in an old wooden building totally unstied for the purpose, and where they can-

of the Prince on Thursday, and a brief reference to a drill given by the crew of the "steam fire engine"—which was said to be unlike anything then in use in England—before the Prince's hotel.

Whereupon the Prince and his visit were dismissed, and the space of the paper given over to discussions of the events prelimi-nary to that clash of arms which for four



PRITTEN FOR THE SUNDAY REPUBLIC. HE man who is now Edward VII.

King of England, Ireland and

Wales and Franchischer

King of England, Ireland and Wales and Emperor of India, posed for his photograph in St. Louis forty years and more ago.

And the man who took that photograph is still living—and still taking pictures—in St. Louis.

On the memorable "Big Thursday" which Albert Henry, Prince of Wales, spent in St. Louis-September 27, 1860—he was persuaded by the St. Louis gentlemen who were conducting him and his suite about the city to enter the photograph gallery of A. J. Fox, then a fashionable studio at the fashionable location of Fourth and Olive streets.

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The Prince of Wales was a young man then—just on the verge of 20—and Mr. Fox was also young, but not quite so young.

Now the Prince is a King, and turned 61; Mr. Fox is father of one of the most popular comic opera prima donnas that America has ever produced, is still taking pictures, and has passed his seventieth year.

"I don't know that the Prince of Wales was photographed anywhere size in America. "I don't know that the Prince of Wales was photographed anywhere eise in America." said Mr. Fox to a Sunday Republic man, "But I do know that photographers all over the country laid claim to the photograph I took. I sold an enormous number of them, and in that way they fell into the hands of other photographers, who straightway made copies of them and hung them cut as their own work.

"The visit of the Prince to The studies."

"The visit of the Prince to my studio was a surprise-indeed it was. The first I knew of it was when the door was opened and in marched a file of gentlemen. Near the end of the line was a young man—a boy, in fact, with a boyish face, a boyish form and a boyish bearing. He wore a plumed hat, and was in uniform. And still, I didn't know who he was.

"As he entered the door—he had had to climb a flight of stairs to get to the studio, which was on the second floor—he was pro-

which was on the second noor—ne was pro-testing mildly.
"But, Prince," said one of the gentlemen who was with him—and then I knew who he was.
"The gentlemen told me they wanted the

The gentlemen told me they wanted the Prince's photograph taken. They wanted it full length. So I wheeled out a 'stock' pedestal, and the Prince took his position. It was rather stiff and formal. I urged

not be seen by the public.

What a magnificent monument it would be to any citizen's generosity and thought for others to erect this much desired and much needed structure.

The propagating houses, some of which

were old ones moved to Forest Park from smaller parks, will have to be rebuilt in the very near future. They are getting so rotten that they will hardly hold the glass, and cannot be kept weather tight. The potting shed is also old and rotten, and will have to be rebuilt.

The heating apparatus was installed when the greenhouse plant was a small one, and is now inadequate for the present houses.

At the greenhouses at Forest Park are grown the ornamental plants and flowers for the nineteen other parks and City Hall grounds. This is a heavy tax on the plant, as each year we aim to make the planting

New Speedway.

There is a general demand for a speed-way, and a desirable place would be the road south of half-mile track.

#### Carondelet Park.

Curondelet Park, bounded by Loughborstreet on the north side, is nearly a mile The Story of That Event as It Is Told by the Files of The Republic for Sept. 25, 26, 27, 28 and 29, 1860.



Prince of Wales, Now King of England, and Mr. Fox, Who Photographed Him.

him to fall into an easier pose, and he readily did so.

little to say. The other gentlemen were busily taiking, but his remarks were few and deferential. He said nothing which impressed me as being worthy of remem-brance, and, therefore, I don't remember

any particular remark.

"You see, forty years is a pretty long time for a man's memory to hold on to a

time for a man's memory to hold on to a thing clearly.

"Photography was not a matter of the squeeze of an air bulb in those days. I took a time exposure of the Princa, and he never moved a muscle. He was one of the best posers I ever had. And then I developed the negative. The party waited until I had shown them the plate, and then they departed.

fine shade trees and has been judiciously

The roads are well laid out, but need a

great deal of renewals and repairs to the

wearing surface. Some of the roads are un-improved and should be completed.

There is no fence around this park except

on the Loughborough avenue side, which

Substantial terra cotta molded and orna

mental entrance posts have been erected at the four driveways to this park in the

The lake is poorly located and should be enlarged and raised. It is unbearably hot

Benton Park.

on this lake in the summer boating seaso as no air can get to the water surface

planted with groups of evergreens.

Roads Need Renewal.

Lake Should Be Raised.

was built in 1897.

"I did not see the Prince again. Several days after he had left the city one of the gentiemen who was with him at the time of the sitting came to my studio and took and paid for the two dezen prints that I had made. Later I made other prints. "Some years ago the original negative of this photograph was broken. I sent to a friend who had one of the photograph borrowed the picture and made a new plate. "I think the Prince had brown eyes, but I must admit that I am not positive on that point. I was too busy while he was in my studio to make a study of him; and besides, there was absolutely nothing about him, except the fact that he was a Prince, to cause one to giance at him twice. "I fancy he is quite a different person now. He has seen the world, you know, and grown old, as I have. And both of those things make changes in a man."

This park is naturally rolling and undu-lating, thus forming an ideal position for a park, being mostly a succession of conical sinkholes. The park is well stocked with There are two lakes here, one being used Lake Over an Old Cave. The larger lake is situated over the old English caves, and causes a great deal of

trouble through the fissures in the rock. This lake should be made with a concrete bottom over the whole surface north of the bridge, as at present a four-inch stream of water has to be kept constantly running to replenish that which constantly oozes out

of the cracks at the bottom. We also hadly need a shelter-house in this park.

#### O'Fallon Park. 3 The Beautiful Glen Should Be Made More Accessible. > > > >

O'Fallon Park, situated on the bluffs overlooking the Mississippi River, has a fine natural location. The roads were never properly improved, and a good deal of oney would be required to put them in

proper condition.

The gien in this park is one of the pretti-

est that can be imagined, even in its wild state. Walks should be made so as to make it accessible, and a couple of bridges are needed, and a general cleaning up and overhauling so as to enhance and show its beauty. Benton Park, located in the midst of a thickly inhabited district on Jefferson avenue and Arsenal street, has a natural undulating surface and is an ideal city park.